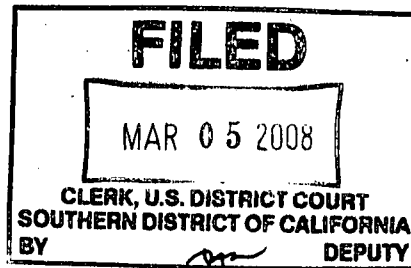


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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

'08 MJ 8201

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

Francisco SALAZAR-Fernandez
Defendant.

Magistrate Case No.:


COMPLAINT FOR VIOLATION OF

21 U.S.C. § 952 and 960
Importation of a Controlled Substance
(Felony)


The undersigned complainant being duly sworn states:

On or about March 4, 2008, within the Southern District of California, defendant Francisco SALAZAR-Fernandez did knowingly and intentionally import approximately 19.18 kilograms (42.20 pounds) of cocaine, a schedule II Controlled Substance, into the United States from a place outside thereof, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 952 and 960.

The complainant states that this complaint is based on the attached Statement of Facts incorporated herein by reference.


Chad N. Worgen
Special Agent
U.S. Immigration & Customs
Enforcement

SWORN TO, BEFORE ME, AND SUBSCRIBED IN MY PRESENCE THIS 5th
DAY OF MARCH, 2008.


Peter C. Lewis
U.S. Magistrate Judge

1 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

2 v.

3 Francisco SALAZAR-Fernandez

4 STATEMENT OF FACTS

5 This statement of facts is based on the reports, documents, and notes furnished
6 to Immigration and Customs Enforcement Special Agent Chad N. Worgen

7 On March 4, 2008, at approximately 1148 hours, Customs and Border Protection Officer
8 (CBPO) L. Parker was conducting primary inspectional duties at the Calexico, California
9 West Port of Entry when Francisco SALAZAR-Fernandez applied for entry on his lane
10 driving a 2002 Dodge Dakota pickup truck with Mexican license plate number
11 BM97709. SALAZAR was the sole occupant and registered owner of the pickup truck.
12 CBPO Parker received a negative oral Customs declaration from SALAZAR. During
13 cursory inspection, CBPO Parker observed SALAZAR'S body was shaking. CBPO
14 Parker referred both SALAZAR and the pickup truck to the vehicle secondary lot for an
15 intensive inspection.
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18 CBPO R. Mendibles was conducting secondary inspectional duties and observed
19 the Dodge Dakota pickup truck in the secondary lot waiting inspection. CBPO
20 Mendibles approached the driver, and he identified himself as Francisco SALAZAR-
21 Fernandez. CBPO Mendibles received a negative oral Customs declaration from
22 SALAZAR. CBPO Mendibles requested Canine Enforcement Officer (CEO) D. Alba to
23 screen the pickup truck with his Narcotics Human Detector Dog (NHDD).
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26 CEO Alba informed CBPO Mendibles that the NHDD had alerted to the dash
27 area of the pickup truck. CBPO Mendibles conducted an intensive inspection of the
28 dash area. Upon further inspection, CBPO Mendibles discovered a specially built non-
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1 factory compartment in the dash area of the pickup truck. CBPO Mendibles opened the
2 compartment and discovered numerous packages within.

3 CBPO Mendibles removed one of the packages from the compartment. CBPO
4 Mendibles probed the package, and it produced a white powdery substance that field
5 tested positive for cocaine. A total of 17 packages of cocaine were removed from the
6 compartment. The total weight of the packages was 19.18 kilograms (42.20 pounds).
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